

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Baton Rouge pl

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-10673)

FROM : SA STEPHEN M. CALLENDER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: 4/13/68

At approximately 11:30 AM, this date, I telephonically contacted Inspector SULLIVAN at Memphis per instructions of the ASAC.

Inspector SULLIVAN stated that in regards to checking laundries, he believed that we should not make this a big deal and that we could slowly cut down on this project.

Inspector SULLIVAN informed that from the information available, it appears that ERIC STARVO GALT when he has lived anywhere resides in a second or third class rooming house. GALT does not reside in a regular flop house where bums or wineos live, and that these rooming houses where GALT has lived are inexpensive, however, they are clean. SULLIVAN sited the fact that GALT lived in a \$80 a month rooming house in Los Angeles and he believed that the type of rooming house would be above the level of the Salvation Army or a Baptist mission.

He suggested that rooming houses of this type in New Orleans, particularly along the waterfront area, be contacted in regards to GALT.

Inspector SULLIVAN informed that the white Mustang recovered in Atlanta, Ga., was found to be in a locked condition at the time it was recovered. He said that latents had been obtained from this vehicle but they did not match the latents on the weapon or binoculars. He said, however, he was not discounting this fact because it was possible that the fingers of the latents obtained from the car were not the same fingers of the latents of the gun and therefore could not be matched. Mr. SULLIVAN stated that GALT continues to look better in this investigation, and that because information has indicated GALT took dancing lessons in New Orleans from June, 1964, to December, 1964, the best possibility was that he lived at a type of rooming house set forth above.

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At approximately 12:20 PM, this date, CLEM MACGOWAN of the Civil Rights Section of the Bureau called. MAC GOWAN inquired as to what New Orleans was doing in attempt to identify GALT and indicated that there was a lot of pressure being applied to the Bureau in regards to GALT. MAC GOWAN was given a general run down of what New Orleans had done in that we had been contacting any source which had records including companies, banking institutions, utility companies, voter registration records, law enforcement agencies, public libraries, etc. He was also advised that on at least two occasions the records of the Driver's License Division at Baton Rouge, had been checked for a driver's license with negative results.

MAC GOWAN said that information available to him had allegedly placed GALT at Baton Rouge, La., and also allegedly in New Orleans. Also, that GALT allegedly had at one time a La. driver's license.

MAC GOWAN said that we should again check at the Driver's License Division as well as Post Offices, utility companies, etc., at the Baton Rouge and New Orleans areas.

He was informed that we intended to contact rooming houses in the New Orleans area, because of the past history of GALT's living in this type of accommodations. He was informed that New Orleans had received a composite of the man believed to be GALT.

MAC GOWAN SAID THAT THERE HAS BEEN BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS THAT THERE IS NOT TO BE A WHOLESALE SHOWING OF THESE COMPOSITS TO INDIVIDUALS BEING CONTACTED. THIS OF COURSE, DOES NOT APPLY TO POSSIBLE WITNESSES OF THIS CASE.

MAC GOWAN added that the Bureau is also checking out allegations that GALT may have been traveling from the U. S. To Canada.